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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Rodney E. Andrews, DOB: 10-5-1954, of South Bend, Indiana was convicted of bank robbery today following a one-day bench trial in federal court in Madison. U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb scheduled sentencing for January 31, 2006. Andrews faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and the entry of an appropriate restitution order.

On May 11, 2001, Andrews robbed the Anchor Bank, 302 North Midvale Boulevard, Madison, Wisconsin. The robbery went unsolved until DNA from a cigarette butt discarded by the suspect at the crime scene was matched to Andrews' DNA in an Indiana database.

The charges against Rodney E. Andrews were the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Madison Police Department.

The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert A. Anderson.

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